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The Federal Council And Internationalism

We have been strongly tempted to do the logical thing and follow up the article of last month by presenting the views of other Federal Council leaders and speakers on the subject of the deity of our Lord. We will return to this at another time, if there is opportunity, but the urgency of other matters makes it necessary to defer a further discussion of this central doctrine of the Christian faith.

The position of the Federal Council on international issues is something about which there is a great diversity of opinion, even among staunch believers in the Gospel.

There are a number of Bible-believing groups which have consistently held the view, through the years, that they could not bear arms. They have, however, been willing to serve their country in other ways provided by the government. The conviction of these men we must, and do, respect.

But we have, in the great pacifist agitation promoted by the Federal Council during the past two decades, something far different and of sinister character. It has been a highly organized effort to defeat legislation for the provision of adequate defenses for this country, either of personnel or equipment, and to propagate by every means possible a psychology hostile to adequate effort for the preservation of our liberty by physical force. This effort for organized pacifism took place in the face of world conditions which made it apparent that we were about to be attacked on both our Eastern and Western frontier. Furthermore, it was promoted in close collaboration with organizations which were communistic in character.

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FEBRUARY REGIONAL CONFERENCES DEFERRED

Due to the pressure of a multitude of duties in other directions the February series of conferences, scheduled to be held in Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana have been deferred. We are attempting to find possible dates in March or April for at least a few of them.

JANUARY REGIONAL CONFERENCES REVEAL NATION-WIDE INTEREST IN U. E. A.

Movement Gathering Force in All Areas

National Constitutional Convention Set For May 4-7

The facilities of the great downtown LaSalle Hotel, scene of hundreds of important national gatherings has been secured for the coming constitutional convention. The sessions will be held in the ballroom with a capacity of 1100. Many committee rooms and hundreds of guest rooms have been reserved for the delegates which are expected from every state in the union and from Canada.

Accredited Delegates

The following classifications of delegates will be accredited, accorded the privileges of the floor and the right to vote:

1. Denominational delegates on the basis of one delegate to each 5,000 members for the first 200,000 members and one delegate for each 15,000 members in excess of 200,000.

2. Single churches, Christian schools of all types and mission boards, one delegate each.

3. Other organizations on the same basis of representation as denominations.

4. All persons who signed the call to the St. Louis meeting or who were present at that meeting as registered delegates, except those who withdrew, will be granted credentials.

5. All officers of N. A. E. U. A., members of the Executive Committee or Advisory Council, all officers or members of regional executive committees and all members of the General Committees are entitled to credentials.

The Executive Committee realizes that drastic changes will necessarily be made in the plan of representation for future meetings, but believes that the present method will be the most adequate for the accomplishment of the objectives of the convention.

All interested groups should take immediate steps to appoint delegates and file the necessary information with the office of United Evangelical Action.

(See picture of Convention Headquarters on page 4.)

A Word About The First Vice President

(The second of a series of biographical sketches of United Action leaders)

Dr. Robert Johnston Bateman, a native of Plymouth, N. C., was educated at Bethel Hill Institute, Wake Forest College, and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is a doctor of divinity of Howard College, Birmingham, Ala., and doctor of laws of Union University, Jackson, Tenn. He began his pastoral work, upon leaving Wake Forest College, at Fayetteville Street Church in Raleigh, N. C., when he was 23 years of age. His succeeding pastorates follow in the order named: Park Place Church, Norfolk, Va.; First Baptist Church, Troy, Ala.; First Baptist Church, Meridian, Miss.; First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.; and First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn. It was while he was pastor of the First Church, Ashville, that their present "million dollar church" was built.

Dr. R. J. Bateman

Dr. Bateman is in his twelfth year as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Memphis. During this period around 1900 members have been added to that church. Memphis First Church is one of the outstanding churches in the Southern Baptist Convention. This church passed its Centennial mark in 1939 with a becoming celebration, marking a hundred years of service in Memphis. Every regular service of this church is broadcast over radio station WMPS.

When Dr. Bateman is on the platform for an entertaining lecture the people laugh at his philosophy, humor and wit. When he appears in his pulpit to preach these gifts may be sometimes used, but to the greater part he goes at once to his task seriously and with great passion and earnestness. He believes and preaches the Bible and dislikes labels of any kind. His creed is the whole Bible. It is truly said of him, "He is a man of a great heart."

Dr. Bateman is in the 1942-1943 issue of "Who's Who in America." He has in his veins the blood of Southern orators, which is easily recognized when you hear him even once.

Dr. Bateman has had wide experience in the educational fields, not only as trustee on boards, but as president of Meridian College while pastor of First Church, Meridian. He has been honored in several cities with important public positions. He is a member of the Memphis Chamber of Commerce. He has served on the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and on the Board of Trustees for the following colleges: Mars Hill College, Oklahoma Baptist University, Southern Theological Seminary, Union University and Tennessee Baptist College. He is still serving on the latter two.

As First Vice President of the National Association of Evangelicals for United Action Dr. Bateman has labored faithfully toward the launching of this infant movement into a course of unprecedented usefulness. The influence of his dynamic spiritual personality is one of the many assets for which this movement is justly thankful.

The January conference party included Pres. Harold J. Ockenga, Dr. C. Gordon Brownville, Mr. F. Carlton Booth of Providence and Rev. J. Elwin Wright.

CHICAGO

The first meeting of the January series was held at Moody Church in Chicago on January 5. Leaders from many sections of Illinois and Wisconsin gathered to learn of the movement. Among the delegates were several appointed officially by denominations not previously represented, but which are now considering membership. A regional committee for Illinois and southern Wisconsin was elected at the evening service. Dr. Harry J. Hager of the Bethany Reformed Church is Chairman; Dr. Harry Ironside of Moody Church is Vice Chairman. A strong group representative of the various denominations make up the rest of the committee.

PEORIA

On January 7 and 8, the Regional Conference was at Peoria, under the auspices of the Evangelical Ministers Association, which is now a member of U. E. A. The evening services were at the Majestic Theatre and the day sessions at the Y. W. C. A. There were many decisions for Christ each evening.

ST. LOUIS

On January 9 the conference party reached St. Louis, where a strong committee was organized to carry on the work in Eastern Missouri. Plans are under way for a mass meeting of all leaders in this area in the near future.

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We Have Reached A Crisis

NEED MINIMIZED

It is probable that few, if any of us, in attendance at the St. Louis Conference last April realized the magnitude of the task before us during the year that we decided should be devoted to preparing the way for the National Constitutional Convention to be held in Chicago, May 4 to 7. A modest budget of $10,000 was voted at that time and was believed to be sufficient. However, it became immediately apparent that this amount would be far below the sum required for informing the entire nation, through regional conferences and printed matter, of the plan to make the evangelicals of America vocal.

EXPANDED BUDGET

At a January meeting of the Budget Committee, it was voted to advance the amount of the budget from $10,000 to $24,000. Of this latter amount about $8,000 must still be raised in ten weeks. We have thus far avoided any personal solicitation, believing that the Lord would lay this urgent need upon the hearts of His people.

APPARENT HANDICAPS

Considering the fact that the movement started from scratch with no mailing list, no organization or group of persons to underwrite the heavy expenses and no one responsible in any way for the financial success of the undertaking, the response up to this point has been remarkable.

EARNEST APPEAL

We are now coming to you who believe that this movement is born of God with an earnest appeal for your immediate and generous cooperation. Pastors are urged to present the matter to their benevolence committees. Individuals are urged to prayerfully consider making a generous gift. Now—today—is the time when you can have a part in bringing this movement to the point of success financially by your liberal gift.

MARCH REGIONAL CONFERENCES

March 8 LYNCHBURG, VA., Rivermont Presbyterian Church.
Sessions: 11 a.m., 2:00 and 7:30 p.m.
Dr. Graham Gilmer, Chairman.

March 9 GREENVILLE, S. C., Hotel Poinsett.
Sessions: 10:30 a.m., 2:00 and 7:30 p.m.
Dr. J. Alvin Orr, Chairman, Due West, S. C.

March 10-11 ATLANTA, GA., Baptist Tabernacle.
Sessions: 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday; 2:00 and 7:30 p.m. on Thursday.
Dr. K. C. White, Chairman.

March 12-14 ORLANDO, FLA., First Baptist Church.
Sessions: 10:30 a.m. 2:00 and 7:30 p.m. on Fri. Mass meeting 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.
Dr. Powell Tucker, Chairman.

March 15-16 TAMPA, FLA., First Baptist Church.
Sessions: 7:30 p.m., Monday; 10:30 a.m., 2:00 and 7:30 p.m., Tuesday.
Rev. A. A. Smith, Chairman.

March 17-18 MIAMI, FLA., Central Baptist Church.
Sessions: 7:30 p.m., Wednesday; 10:30 a.m. 2:00 and 7:30 p.m., Thursday.
Dr. Dan Iverson, Chairman.

March 19 JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (Place to be announced)
Sessions: 2:00 and 7:30 p.m.

March 25 RICHMOND, VA., Hotel Jefferson.
Sessions: 10:30 a.m., 2:00 and 7:30 p.m.

SPEAKERS: Dr. John Bradbury, Mr. Howard W. Ferrin, Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, Dr. J. Alvin Orr (at Greenville) and Rev. J. Elwin Wright.

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In this "drive" for a warless world, the Council leaders made the same error which brought about the final defeat of national prohibition. Both were attempts to superimpose upon the nation a great social reform without having first laid a spiritual foundation. Will these leaders never realize that the first need of the nation is that Christ shall be reborn in the hearts of its people. Then, and then only, have we any proper basis of expectation that we may meet with success in campaigns for social or political betterment. The thesis of the Council that all men are God's children, and that nothing is needed but a fanning of the divine spark within, leads to horrible disillusionment when the supreme test comes.

The Federal Council leaders worked *against* America and *for* Japan on the matter of immigration. We know now that their policies would have resulted in opening the doors to the greatest flood of spies and saboteurs the country has ever known. Again, they worked *for* Russia and *against* America in that period during which Russia was openly and defiantly preparing the way for world revolution. They rejoice in the present "understanding" with Russia and seem blind to the menace which the infiltration of Russian Communism presents to our liberties at the present time.

We admire and respect the brave fight of the Russian people against the aggressor, but we cannot afford to forget for a moment that Stalin may be seated at the head of the peace table and be able to dictate the sort of peace which will give him exactly that for which he has spent a lifetime of murder and intrigue. There is every reason to believe that the Federal Council will go "all out" for the sort of world government which will fulfill Stalin's dream.

Every annual report of the Federal Council from the conclusion of the Versailles Peace Treaty to the present contains references to the development of its program of pacifism and disarmament. Every bill presented in Congress for the adequate armament of the nation was contested by *a well organized lobby of the Federal Council.*

Floods of literature were sent throughout the country encouraging the public to protest army and navy appropriations. Young people were urged to become conscientious objectors. Some Council leaders even went to the extent of encouraging mass pledges not to support any war — even a defensive war of enemy invasion. Dr. Kirby Page, at a great young people's conference in 1936, cried, "If we only had four or five hundred students expelled for refusing to wear the army uniform we wouldn't have compulsory military training in our schools."

In 1928, the Federal Council took credit for success in reducing the proposed expenditure for naval armaments from $1,000,000,000 to $274,000,000. We have never seen any statement which would lead us to believe they do not think to this day that they were performing a valuable service in this matter.

In his book entitled, "Secret of Victorious Living," published in 1937, Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick said, "Recently 20,000 American ministers of religion answered a questionnaire, and of that number nearly 13,000 said they would never sanction, or as armed combatants, participate in another war." (p. 99.)

"Some of us, if war comes, face about the most unpleasant thing that a man can face—not going to the trenches; no, that is bad enough but that is not the worst — refusing to go to the trenches and being treated as a traitor." (Ibid. p. 102.)

"There is, however, another question which many would ask of those 13,000 ministers. Wouldn't you defend your nation if attacked? You would defend your homes. If the forces of law and order broke down and ruffians invaded your household, you would protect your family. Wouldn't you do that for your nation? How can you say that you will never support another war when it might be a war of self-defense? Over 8,000 of the ministers, answering the questionnaire, said they were convinced that the old distinction between aggressive and defensive war had broken down in the modern world. . .

"When, therefore, we are asked if we would not fight in a defensive war we know we are being asked if we would not fight in any war that came along.

"Every nation should pledge itself never to cross its boundary lines with a military force; and to show that they mean not to cross in aggressive war, they should disarm themselves of all offensive weapons with which they could cross. Let them keep defensive weapons but disarm themselves of all offensive weapons — mobile artillery, tanks, military airplanes, wide-ranging cruisers.

"As for the idea which, strangely enough, still occupies the imaginings of some people that a nation might decide to ravage continental United States with war — and might cross the ocean to do it —that is so extremely improbable that anybody who bases his attitude toward war on such a prospect rules himself out of intelligent discussion . . . if sometime, from somewhere, a nation crosses thousands of miles of ocean and begins a triumphal march from the Alleghanies to the Rockies, we undoubtedly will do the same thing (defend ourselves). But it is an impossibility and every sane person knows it. That is a red herring which has been a long time dead. Even when one thinks of Hawaii and Alaska, the chance of a direct assault upon this

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

MEETING OF MISSIONARY EXECUTIVES

Chicago, January 4. At the call of Dr. T. J. Bach, Chairman of the Missions Committee of U. E. A., a group of missionary executives, representative of several mission boards, conferred at the offices of Scandinavian Alliance on matters of great importance to their respective bodies.

Because of the increasing difficulties of carrying on missionary work under present conditions, it was unanimously agreed that the time had come for more adequate cooperation among the various organizations. It was voted to ask United Evangelical Action to provide the necessary personnel to assist the Boards in procuring passports, visas and transportation to the fields, also to assist in the transmission of funds. Other suggestions were also made to U. E. A. of ways in which it can be helpful in the promotion of the missionary enterprise.

Historical Side Lights

THE ORIENTAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Oriental Missionary Society was founded April, 1901, by Rev. and Mrs. Chas. E. Cowman and Rev. Juji Nakada and was augmented the second year by Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Kilbourne.

The Society's main object is the training of a native ministry for the evangelization of their own people and establishing native churches in neglected districts: "They went everywhere preaching the Word."

The character of the work is strictly evangelistic with no secular educational branches. It stands for the old fundamentals with no modern critics.

The whole work of The Oriental Missionary Society is supported by the voluntary contributions of God's people, principally in the homelands, with some gifts from the native Christians on the field.

The Society is incorporated in the United States and also on the fields under the respective national laws and is therefore secure from personal interests. Its trustees, directors and missionaries are also obliged to sign a contract which insures the continuity of "the faith once for all delivered unto the saints."

It continues its labor of love under the personal leadership of Mrs. Charles Cowman, assisted by a staff of capable leaders. It maintains western headquarters at 832 North Hobart Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and maintains a Missionary Home at Winona Lake, Indiana.

(The following letter was recently received from Salisbury, N. C.)

Rev. J. Elwin Wright,
Berne, Indiana.
Dear Mr. Wright:

Probably not many of the readers of your December article on the Federal Council will have enough interest or "boldness" to answer it, but I want you to know that I most sincerely deplore and challenge the spiritual blind spots which it reveals. Furthermore, I challenge you to be magnanimous enough to print this brief reply in opposition to what you wrote in the "United Evangelical Action."

Your "blind spot" is revealed near the close of your article when you quote the "social creed" of the Federal Council and then proceed to dub it "secular objectives." Man alive! Such objectives are **not** secular but spiritual. Why, they harmonize with and attempt to fulfill many of the objectives of our Lord Himself, as set forth in Luke 4:17-18.

My dear man, when you say that the social creed of the Federal Council "excludes everything which has to do with the peculiar message or mission of the church," you are not judging the Federal Council but indicting the narrow conception of Christianity which you possess. What if those objectives "could have been adopted by any secular organization with enthusiasm"? Certainly you should hate to think that the Church of the Living Christ should be the **last** one to adopt them! If it be true that any secular organization could now adopt such a set of objectives with enthusiasm, then I'd say the Federal Council has not failed!

Furthermore, what right have you to assert that "most of the social objectives of the Federal Council have been defeated"? The battle is **not over yet** but the fight goes on for these principles of applied Christianity. Even if it should require 100 or 1,000 years—still there is no final defeat for that which is right!

Believe me, sir, I stand for all the fundamentals of our great Christian faith, and I think I can pass any theological test that you might care to make, but at the same time, I want you to know that I deeply regret your unconscious minimizing of the great value of the work which the Federal Council is doing toward securing the application of the Christian Gospel to the desperate social ills and needs of our generation. Our world is dying because of our failure to practice and to apply Christianity.

Your brother in Christ,
Signed: **David L. Woodward.**

A Letter Answered

Rev. D. L. Woodward,
Salisbury, N. C.
Dear Mr. Woodward:

It is probable that it would have been better for us to have used the word "humanitarian" rather than "secular" in describing the objectives of the Federal Council. We could not concede, however, that humanitarian objectives are spiritual in the deepest sense of that term. These objectives minister to the body, or the physical welfare, rather than to the spiritual man. However, may we make it clear that we are in hearty accord with every effort of the church for the alleviation of sufferng or the betterment of the social and physical condition of humanity. What we are trying to bring out is that these objectives are of lesser importance than the primary objective of the church which, we hold, is to win men to the Lord Jesus Christ and to bring them into family relationship with Him through the new birth. We do not believe the doctrine of the liberals that all men are children of God. We believe that man is depraved and sold under sin; that he is a child of Satan until he is reborn through the atoning work of Christ on Calvary.

We still maintain that the social objectives of the Federal Council have been defeated up to the present time to a very large extent. They have fought the gambling evil but there is more gambling today than ever before in history. They backed the prohibition movement but that fight was lost and today the Federal Council has placed itself in a position where it will not even stand for a renewal of national prohibition but has come to the position that "control" is better. They fought for a warless world and yet we are engaged in the greatest war that civilization has ever known. All their objectives are worthy but we were simply trying to point out that these objectives cannot be realized until the hearts and lives of men are first transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

I would like to further comment that while the writer of this letter, according to his own testimony, stands for all the fundamentals for which U. E. A. stands we consider his disposition to laud the Federal Council to be a definite indication that he is on very dangerous ground in his thinking. We wonder if it is possible that the great Southern Baptist Movement which has been so loyal to the faith in the past is going to be enmeshed in the net which this super-organization is throwing out over the entire country. That, in our opinion, would be a tragedy.

J. Elwin Wright.

OUR MAIL BOX

"It was a great joy to receive the book entitled 'Evangelical Action' and am enclosing herewith $1.00 for same.

"My full sympathies are with this movement and I feel assured that it has before it (if properly handled) a field of service that is now imperative for the advancement of the true cause of God.

"Ever since my conversion and student days in the University of Toronto, my Graduation in Theology from Wycliffe College (Seminary) Toronto, and my Ordination into Low, Evangelical wing of the Church of England, I have felt that there ought to be an alliance of truly saved ministers and people of our land who are sound in the doctrines of the old orthodox faith of our fathers." **Rev. J. E. Purdie,** Winnipeg, Canada.

"Our earnest prayers are behind you in this timely and very greatly needed association to preserve truth and true religion and abolish the many evils which threaten our very foundations." **Rev. C. Roberts,** E. St. Louis, Illinois.

"Thank you for sample copy of paper. Found it encouraging and enlightening. We are happy that our group was one of the first to join in this great movement. Surely it will meet one of the crying needs in America. We are agreed on the great essentials of the faith and we need to be united in the presentation of these to America. May the movement grow not only in numbers but in influence in the critical days ahead!" **Dr. Arnold T. Olson,** Staten Island, N. Y.

"I wish to go on record that I am in hearty accord with the movement and trust that the Lord will use it to His glory. If I can be of any service to your office, please advise." **C. V. Egemeier,** Chicago, Ill.

"I want to acknowledge receipt of a book which arrived today entitled 'Evangelical Action.' I have already read a portion from it. Excellent! It's just what is needed in this apostate age. May it have great success in reaching the masses with the true Gospel!" **V. E. Roman,** Los Angeles, Calif.

"Our church is very happy with the thought of having a part in the National Association of Evangelicals for United Action. You may depend upon our doing what we can to support the conference and the movement.

"Be assured our prayers are with you and the other leaders in this great effort to magnify the cause of Jesus Christ." **Rev. F. M. Kepner,** Pomona, Calif.

"It is with joy that we read of your meetings throughout the country, and the splendid response everywhere. Praise the Lord." **Rev. A. H. Sauerwein,** Long Island, N. Y.

"The deacons unanimously voted to welcome the conference in our church building. Of course, we are happy to cooperate in every way possible.

"The Baptist pastors happily received the news that you would be here and voted to cooperate in attendance upon the conference and in any other way possible." **Rev. Roland Q. Leavell,** Tampa, Fla.

"It is indeed gratifying to see some one take action against this ever growing evil of Modernism, and especially so that there is growing among the fundamentals a united action. May the Lord bless and guide you in this superb undertaking.

"Would you please let me know when it would be possible to have a meeting here in Sioux Falls with someone who has the facts regarding your undertaking. I feel a great need of it here and am sure that it would receive a hearty endorsement by many." **Rev. Wm. Dirks,** Sioux Falls, S. D.

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nation's territory is in the highest degree improbable." (Ibid. pp. 104-105.)

And, again, in the same volume, Dr. Fosdick asks: "Of all insane and suicidal procedures, can you imagine anything madder than this, that all the nations should pick out their best, use their scientific skill to make certain that they are the best, and then in one mighty holocaust offer ten millions of them on the battlefields of one war?

"Mad civilization, you cannot sacrifice on bloody altars the best of your breed and expect anything to compensate for the loss." (Ibid. p. 90.)

Such was the pacifism of the period immediately preceding the present war, as promoted by the Federal Council and voiced by its leaders. It was a well-intentioned effort but a disastrous one. It made the Pearl Harbor disaster possible. Its fruitage was a sense of false security, a division of opinion as to the moral right of this country to take adequate measures in preparation for the inevitable attack of Japan, for which, in the plain view of all the world, she had been making feverish preparation for many years.

This is the sort of warped thinking which has led the church astray in respect to doctrine, the authenticity, authority, and divine inspiration of the Bible, and in respect to international politics. It is time for us to awaken to these dangers, repudiate this blind leadership of Bible-rejecters and unite for the prosecution of the real task for which the church was commissioned.

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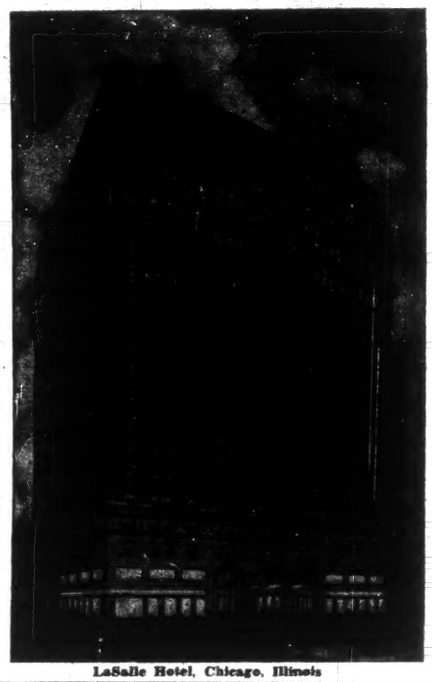
CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS MAY 4-7, 1943



LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois

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DALLAS

Dallas was the next meeting point. The time for a conference session was very limited as the party was only privileged to be there three hours. The meeting was in the Y. M. C. A. Here, as in St. Louis, a committee was organized and plans laid for a mass meeting to be conducted by Dr. John W. Bradbury later in the season.

EL PASO

On Sunday, Jan. 10th, the party reached El Paso. All services were at the First Baptist Church of which Dr. I. L. Yearby is the pastor. Dr. Ockenga spoke in the morning and Dr. Brownville in the evening to large audiences. The union meeting was in the afternoon. At this service the movement was presented by all members of the party. A committee was appointed for the area with Dr. I. L. Yearby as the chairman.

PHOENIX

On Tuesday, Phoenix, Arizona, was the scene of the conference. Rev. Harold Wilson of the First Baptist Church of Tempe was chairman of the committee on arrangements and Mr. Frank Kaster, President of the Arizona Baptist Convention, presided. Here, again, the power of the Spirit melted us into a oneness which was a delightful experience. A representative committee was elected at the evening service to carry on the work of informing others throughout the state.

SAN DIEGO

Because of the fact that the train to San Diego was five hours late the party did not arrive in time for the scheduled afternoon service in that city. However, in the evening a fine audience assembled at the First Baptist Church of which Dr. John Bunyan Smith is the pastor. The presentation of the work brought a fine response. Here, as in every place, the ministry of song by Carlton Booth was a great contribution to the success of the meetings.

LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles meetings on Friday and Sunday were held at the Trinity Methodist Church, of which Dr. Robert Shuler is the pastor. On Friday more than two hundred ministers were in attendance, besides a large number of laymen. The Los Angeles meetings were among the very best held anywhere in the United States up to this time. The spiritual leadership of Southern California is wholeheartedly behind U. E. A. At the evening service on Friday, a large and strong committee was elected to be under the leadership of Dr. Robert Munger of the South Hollywood Presbyterian Church.

On Sunday the various members of the conference party filled a number of engagements in the metropolitan area, including the Temple Baptist Church in Los Angeles, the First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood, First Presbyterian Church of Los Angeles, the Lake Avenue Congregational Church of Pasadena and the Church of the Open Door in Los Angeles. A great mass meeting was held in the Trinity Methodist Church as well, which drew a large audience. Dr. Ockenga was the principal speaker at this service.

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Some of us are old-fashioned enough to believe still that the doctrine of the separation of church and state is a good doctrine and that our task as the ambassadors of God is not to run the governments of the world but to evangelize.

Our sin respecting Japan is not that we have excluded her immigrants when they came in numbers that could not be assimilated in our American melting pot, or that we have provided defenses against aggression (pitifully inadequate as time has revealed them to be). Our sin is that we did not spend millions instead of thousands in bringing to Japan the message of salvation through the atoning work of our Lord on the cross. A Christian Japan would not have attacked us and made necessary the sacrifice of thousands of lives and billions of dollars.

Let us again emphasize the point that nothing we have said be considered as censure of any individual or group which believes that it is wrong for them to engage in the killing of their fellow men. For them we have the greatest respect and sympathy. But we are definitely against the organized propaganda which left us nearly defenseless as a nation.

Now that we are at war there has been an almost complete cessation of the brave talk on the part of modernist leaders about their willingness to face imprisonment or trial for treason for their convictions. One wonders whether they have come to a different view regarding the righteousness of the present conflict. Do they now believe it is a good thing that we *have* crossed our boundaries and sent our expeditionary forces to the far ends of the earth? We have reason to believe that they still are secretly committed to the same policy to which they gave voice in the thirties. They only refrain from speaking out because, after all, jail is not pleasant.

The "drive" of the Federal Council is transferred to safer ground — the question of what shall happen at the peace table after the war is over.

It is my conviction that we have in prospect in the church and nation the most widespread and potentially disastrous propaganda effort the world has ever seen. The spearhead of this plan, which will be world-wide in its scope, will be the liberal ecumenical movement of which the Federal Council and its seven affiliates (soon to be renamed the North American Council of Christian Churches, according to its present plans), is the American arm.

Space will not permit us, in this article, to develop the evidence of the plan to involve America in a post-war government which will effectually destroy our security and our liberty, but we shall come to this in the succeeding discussions.

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GREAT MEETINGS IN LOS ANGELES AT TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH (REV. BOB SHULER'S). THREE HUNDRED PASTORS IN ATTENDANCE AT VARIOUS SESSIONS. COMBINED AUDIENCES ADDRESSED SUNDAY MORE THAN FOUR THOUSAND. THE COMMITTEE PRESENTED US WITH OFFERING OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR CARRYING ON. THIS WILL APPLY ON EIGHT THOUSAND NEEDED BEFORE APRIL 30. GOD IS MIGHTILY MOVING. ASK OUR FRIENDS TO CONTINUE PRAYING. DRS. OCKENGA AND BROWNVILLE, AND CARL BOOTH JOIN IN SENDING GREETINGS.

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